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A LA OPINION STORY, DATELINED WASHINGTON, SPECULATES THAT SECRETARY KISSINGER WILL MAKE A TOUR OF LA IN FEB, PRIOR TO ATTENDING THE FORMINS MEETING IN MEXICO, BUT ADDS THAT HE HAS NOT YET DECIDED ON THE COUNTRIES HE WILL VISIT, THOUGH BRAZIL AND VENEZUELA ARE ALMOST SURE TO BE INCLUDED. THE ARTICLE CLAIMS FURTHER THAT SECRETARY HAS DECIDED NOT RPT NOT TO VISIT CHILE OR ARGENTINA. HE WILL NOT VISIT CHILE BECAUSE HE WISHES TO AVOID CLOSE IDENTIFICATION WITH THE JUNTA. ARGENTINA WILL BE LEFT OFF HIS SCHEDULE BECAUSE OF THE TERRORIST SITUATION.

COMMENT: THE STORY CONTAINED SOME FACTUAL ERRORS, AND EVEN BY LOCAL STANDARDS WAS EXTREMELY SPECULATIVE. HOWEVER, SINCE IT HAS APPEARED IN PRINT DEPARTMENT MAY BE ASKED TO COMMENT ON THE SUBJECT. UNLESS INSTRUCTED OTHERWISE, EMBASSY INTENDS TO RESPOND TO ANY QUESTIONS AT THIS END BY SAYING TRIP IS BEING CONSIDERED BUT THERE IS NOTHING FIRM YET AND THAT WE ARE UNAWARE OF ANY DECISION TO EXCLUDE ARGENTINA.

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